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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Bhattacharya et al.

Serial No.: 09/896,059

For: METHOD FOR AUTOMATED DESIGN OF INTEGRATED  
CIRCUITS WITH TARGETED QUALITY OBJECTIVES  
USING DYNAMICALLY GENERATED BUILDING BLOCKS

Filing Date: June 29, 2001

Examiner: Thompson, Annette M.

Art Unit: 2825

Confirmation No.: 9475

Customer No.: 27623

Attorney Docket:

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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$55.00 (small entity) to extend the time for filing this response until January 26, 2004.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.


CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	63	Minus	61	2	x \$18.00	\$36.00
Independent Claims	8	Minus	8	0	x \$86.00	\$0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$280.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$36.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$18.00		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$73.00.

**XXX** A check is the amount of \$73.00 (small entity) is enclosed.

**XXX** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

January 26, 2004  
Date

  
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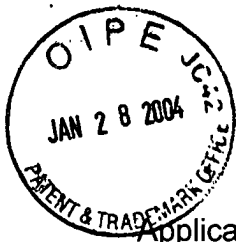
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2003, for which the period to respond has been extended one month to include January 26, 2004, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks in the above-noted application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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